Remarks

By this Response, Applicants elect the claims of Group I (claims 16-17 and 30-35) for prosecution in the subject application. Applicants reserve the right to prosecute the non-elected claims in a corresponding divisional application. Applicants further understand that any process claims that depend from or otherwise require all the features of an allowable product claim will be rejoined.

Based on the foregoing, the claims are in condition for substantive examination. If any issues remain to be addressed prior to examination, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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